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## **ICC ANNOUNCES SIGN PROJECT TO IMPROVE PEDESTRIAN SAFETY AT METRA STATIONS**

The Illinois Commerce Commission announced today that new, clearly marked signs, designed to alert pedestrians to look for approaching trains have been installed at Metra stops in River Grove, Galewood, Mont Clare and Mars.

ICC, Metra and Illinois' Operation Lifesaver representatives will be at the Galewood station at 8 a.m. on Monday, August 15, to inspect the pedestrian signs.

The pedestrian signage project at Metra stations along the Milwaukee-West line is a joint safety campaign by the ICC, Operation Lifesaver program and Metra.

Commissioner Erin O'Connell-Diaz, chairman of the ICC's Transportation Committee explained that with the increase in pedestrians and trains coming together in area stations each year, it is more important than ever to raise awareness of commuter safety. "If we can prevent one tragedy from occurring by drawing attention to the potential danger of walking across tracks at the station, then we have succeeded in our safety mission," she said.

"These signs help to remind us that as riders, we have a personal responsibility to look and listen and look again before walking across railroad tracks."

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